REMARKS

Entry of this Preliminary Amendment before examination of the instant application is respectfully requested. It is submitted that the claims as presented herein are fully supported by the parent application as originally filed.

In summary, Claims 42-76 remain in the application. Claims 1-41 have been canceled without prejudice. New claims 77-80 have been added in order to set forth additional specific embodiments of Applicant's invention. It is submitted that, through this Amendment, Applicant's invention as set forth in these claims is in a condition suitable for allowance.

Further and favorable consideration is requested. If the Examiner believes it would expedite prosecution of the above-identified application, she/he is cordially invited to contact Applicant's Attorney at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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